STATE OF MONTANA
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

1974-75 MONTANA MIGRATORY WATERFOWL REGULATIONS - CENTRAL FLYWAY

The Central Flyway includes Blaine, Fergus, Judith Basin, Wheatland, Sweet Grass, Stillwater and Carbon Counties and all counties lying east of these.

By order of the Montana Fish and Game Commission, the State of Montana within the Central Flyway is opened to hunting of migratory waterfowl under the regulations listed below:

DUCKS

Open Season: One-half hour before sunrise September 28, 1974, to sunset and daily thereafter from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset each day through November 15, 1974. Then reopening one-half hour before sunrise December 21, 1974, to sunset and daily thereafter from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset each day through January 5, 1975.

Bag Limit: The season is based on a daily point value of 100 plus points. The daily limit is reached when the point value of the last duck taken added to the sum of the point values of other ducks taken during the day reaches or exceeds 100 points. The possession limit shall be the maximum number of ducks of species and sex which could have been taken in two days. The point allocation for ducks is as follows:

15 Points	35 Points	70 Points	100 Points
American Widgeon	Drake Mallard	Hen Mallard	Canvasback
Blue Wing Teal	Greenwing Teal	Wood Duck	Redhead
Cinnamon Teal	Ringneck Duck	Hooded Merganser	
Scaup	All other species		
Common and Red-Breasted Merganser	& sex not listed under other categories.		
Pintail			
Gadwall			
Shoveler			

Coots have a point value of zero, but the bag is limited to 15 and 30 in possession.

GEESE

Open Season: One-half hour before sunrise September 28, 1974, to sunset and daily thereafter from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset each day to December 29, 1974.

Daily and Possession Limit: Daily limit of 2 and a possession limit of 4 geese. The limit shall not include more than 1 Ross' goose in bag or in possession.

LITTLE BROWN CRANE (Phillips County)

Open Season: One-half hour before sunrise September 28, 1974, to sunset and daily thereafter from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset each day through November 3, 1974. Season is restricted to Phillips County.

Daily and Possession Limit: Daily limit will be 3 Little Brown Crane and, after opening day, a possession limit of 6.

REGULATIONS

Waterfowl Closures: Nelson Reservoir in Phillips County; North Chinook Reservoir in Blaine County shall be closed to all waterfowl hunting. In addition, the Yellowstone River as posted in Rosebud County and Treasure County shall be closed to all waterfowl hunting. The Yellowstone River as posted in Custer County shall be closed to all waterfowl hunting from 12:00 noon to sunset each day of the open season.

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Means of Taking: Migratory waterfowl may be taken only with bow and arrow, or with a shotgun not larger than ten gauge and incapable of holding more than three shells fired from the shoulder. Migratory waterfowl may not be taken from or by means, aid or use of a sinkbox (battery), motor-driven conveyance, motor vehicle or aircraft of any kind. Use of any electronic or phonographic waterfowl-calling device is illegal.

License: Must be in possession of a Class AAA Resident Sportsman's License or a Class A-1 Resident Bird License and Conservation License, or Class B-1 $25.00 Nonresident Bird License and Conservation License, or a Class B-2 $151.00 Nonresident Big Game License. In addition to one of the above licenses, must be in possession of a Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp. Persons under the age of 16 years need not possess a stamp. Persons under 12 years of age may not hunt game birds.

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